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Title: PROCESS FOR GELATINISING STARCH USING A BIODEGRADABLE POLYMER

MATERIAL BEARING ALDEHYDE GROUPS

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. Fees are attached as calculated below:		
Total effective claims after amendment 19 minus highest number previously paid for 20 (at least 20) = 0 x \$52.00 \$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202)	\$	
Independent claims after amendment 5 minus highest number previously paid for 3 (at least 3) = $2 \times 220.00 \$440.00 (1201)/\$220.00 (2201)	\$	
If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add \$390.00 (1203)/\$195.00 (2203) Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) One Month Extension \$130.00 (1251)/\$65.00 (2251) Two Month Extensions \$490.00 (1252)/\$245.00 (2252) Three Month Extensions \$1110.00 (1253/\$555.00 (2253) Four Month Extensions \$1730.00 (1254/\$865.00 (2254) Five Month Extensions \$2350.00 (1255/\$1175.00 (2255)		
Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$140.00 (1814)/ \$70.00 (2814)	\$	
☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith		
Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee \$180.00 (1806)	\$ (0.00
Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) Other:	Ź.	0.00 0.0 0
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